

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time +++ September 26, 2021

Readings: + Numbers 11:25-29 + James 5:1-6 + Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sep 25– Saturday	4:00 PM Errol Dugre by the family
Sep 26 – Sunday	7:30 AM Manuel Oliveira (B'day rem) by Ormindia Oliveira & family
26 th Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM Sonia Antunes (1 st Ann) by the Antunes family
	11:00 AM Gloria Robillard Thibeault by her daughter Sharon & family
	4:00 PM Denise Picard by her daughter Lisa & Jim
Sep 27– Monday	7:00 AM Mafalda Varini by Jim & Rita O'Dell
Sep 28 - Tuesday	7:00 AM Dora Roberts by the family
Sep 29 – Wednesday	7:00 AM In Honor of St. Michael for a favor received by a parishioner
Sep 30 – Thursday	7:00 AM Rosalie Roberts Bishop by the family
Oct 01 – Friday	7:00 AM Stella Dupuis & Roger Dupuis, Jr. by Julie Dupuis
	9:00 AM School Mass: Ronald (33 rd Ann) & Doris Berthiaume by their estate
Oct 02 – Saturday	4:00 PM Gerard Bilodeau (B'day rem) by Jeannette
Oct 03 –Sunday	7:30 AM Norman Landry by his wife & children
27 st Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM Joseph & Aline Pirog by Jim & Donna Pirog & family
	11:00 AM Theresa Boissonnault by her family
	4:00 PM Suzanne Courchesne by Daniel Courchesne

BINGO 9/25/21 Team 1

~ PARISH STEWARDSHIP: 9/19/2021 Offertory: \$8,030.20
School support: \$2,186.00

SJA BOOSTER CLUB Winner for 9/19/21 #59 Renelle Bonavita
9/26/21 #4 Marie Malloy

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SJA BOOSTER CLUB GRAND PRIZE WINNERS: \$1,000 #64 Diane Green // \$800 #90 Dave Brault // \$650 #126 Annette Langevin // \$500 #149 Deborah Burrill // \$400 #31 Simone Labonte // \$350 #132 Larry & Penny Perrault // \$300 #93 Leonard Chartier // \$250 #8 Carol & Bruce Broyles // \$250 #84 Diane Hartman // \$200 #48 Jack & Claire Safarik // \$150 #20 Laura Gilbert // \$150 #125 Dolores Lucey. Congratulations and thank you to all who participated in this Club. All proceeds benefit St. Joan of Arc School.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the souls and families of Willard Rider, Jr., Francis Nally, Leonard Fontaine, Stephen Tetreault, and I. Jeanne Berneche; May they and all our faithful departed rest in God's eternal peace.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD at the 9:00AM Sunday Mass has resumed. This Liturgy of the Word is specifically geared toward young children to assist them in developing a love for the Word of God proclaimed at Sunday Mass. Facilitated by our DRE, Cindee Gagnon, our children encounter the sacred scriptures at their level. We encourage parents to promote this opportunity for your children.

ATTN: VOLUNTEERS AND ALL EMPLOYEES---LAST CALL before we submit out C.O.R.I report. Please come to the Pastoral Center as soon as possible or contact Cindee. All Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans, Sunday Coffee and Donut Helpers, Boy Scout Leaders and Assistant Leaders, Cub Scout Leaders and Assistant Leaders, Catechists and all Employees of the Parish are required by the Diocese of Springfield to complete an updated C.O.R.I. **by September 30, 2021.** No Virtus update is required at this time unless you haven't completed one already. Please stop in at the Pastoral Center, Monday-Thursday 9:00AM -3:00PM (ask for Cindee). We will also need to make a copy of your license or another valid ID. If you're only available after 3:00PM, please contact Cindee at 536-4558 or email cindee@sterose.org to request a later time and she will be glad to accommodate your time. Thank you to all who have completed their C.O.R.I.

DESIGNER PURSE BINGO TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE. The Purse Bingo will take place on **Friday, October 15, 2021** in the Ste. Rose de Lima Church Hall. The suggested donation is \$35.00 p.p. Doors will open at 5:00PM and the games start at 6:00PM. Tickets are available from Committee members or at the Pastoral Center during business hours, Monday thru Thursday 9-5PM and Friday 9-3PM. Plan on joining us for an evening of fun and prizes. Proceeds benefit Ste. Rose de Lima Church

***Dear Parishioner...Around & About Ste. Rose,
Ste. Rose Cemetery***

Many parishioners have noticed the “improved appearance” of the cemetery grounds since the new superintendent, Juan Hernandez, was hired. All the comments are so positive – thanks for noticing! Last week the painting of the chain link fence began. The new color of the fence is black. Repairs to the fence will be made where it is needed. The felled tree on Schoolhouse Road will be cut and be made to look “acceptable.” Also, the small opening in the fence on Schoolhouse Road will be closed off. Naturally, the prevailing issue is to avoid the possibility of liability of injury while “trespassing” on cemetery property after the cemetery is closed in the evening hours. The granite columns at the entry of the cemetery were re-pointed this year as well. There is also an on-going need to evaluate the trees in the cemetery and the grinding down of a few stumps of recently felled trees. Several trees in the cemetery are dead or dying and need to be felled. A dead or dying tree is a serious safety concern for all who may visit should a major branch suddenly fall. The cemetery will continue to make improvements throughout the property, including the areas around cemetery office/garage. The “piles” of sand will be leveled/moved to a secluded area of the cemetery. It is our deepest desire that Ste. Rose de Lima Cemetery be “holy ground” that is prayerful, respectful, and well-maintained. A word of “thanks” is extended to Juan Hernandez, Dennis Micheli, and Paul Page for being caring stewards of Ste. Rose Cemetery.

Ste. Rose de Lima and Bingo

A little information for everyone who has ever had children in St. Joan of Arc School and who, over the years, worked Bingo. Since its inception in 1975, we, the Bingo Community raised over \$3,779,302 to our parish school for tuition subsidies and its general financial operations. \$3.7 million dollars raised is a real eye opener and shows the critical need for people to step forward and volunteer their time to such a substantial partner in keeping our school open and affordable. Many thanks to the dedication of our present and former Members in Charge, captains, bingo workers, volunteers, and patrons. Please give serious thought to volunteering for bingo.

Fr Bill

TODAY’S THE LAST DAY TO TURN IN YOUR TICKETS FOR THE 2021 STE. ROSE PARISH RAFFLE: The Parish Raffle is awarding cash prizes totaling \$3,000. There will be One \$1,000 prize donated by the St. Pierre-Phaneuf Aldenville Funeral Chapel. Two \$500 prizes. Three \$200 prizes and Four \$100 prizes. In addition, One prize of \$100 worth of lottery tickets and Four Raffle Prizes/Baskets valued at over \$50 each, donated by the Community Life Commission. You may place your tickets in the collection basket at Mass in an envelope labeled “Picnic” **no later than this Sunday, September 26, 2021.** **The raffle drawing will be held on Monday, September 27, 2021 at the Pastoral Center.** If writing a check, ***please make it payable to St. Rose de Lima Church.*** Good Luck!

SJA PTO CRAFT FAIR will be held on **Sunday, October 3rd from 9AM-3PM** at the Knights of Columbus #69, Granby Rd., Chicopee. Over 35 Vendors will provide homemade and handmade items. Raffles, Bake Sale, Free Parking & Handicap Accessible. Please stop by. Thanks!

GIRL SCOUTING With the new school year starting, that means a new year for Girl Scouting too. We are holding an **Information Night** for interested parents and girls on **Tuesday, September 28 from 6 pm to 7:30PM** in the cafeteria at St Joan of Arc School. Girls from kindergarten through high school are encouraged to join us to try some activities, while parents will meet with leaders to learn about all that Girl Scouting has to offer. Adults interested in volunteering with Girl Scouting are also encouraged to attend. Anyone unable to attend may contact GirlScoutsofChicopee@gmail.com for more information.

PRO-LIFE We now have a bulletin board and table in the vestibule of the church that is dedicated to Pro-Life issues. The bulletin board will provide you with Pro-Life issues and events. The table will offer Pro-Life pamphlets and other informational materials. Please stop and read about the concerns of the Church and essential information regarding this very important issue. For more information, please contact Deacon Mike at 536-4558 or see Jane Fortin.

A GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP will be starting here at Ste. Rose de Lima in the near future. This group is open to anyone who is in need of grief support due to the death of a family member or friend. Many times, just a little support helps you to move from grief to healing. All are welcome. If you're interested, please contact Peggy Constant, Ste. Rose Pastoral Center 413-536-4558 EXT 218.

ENHANCE YOUR JOURNEY OF FAITH We'll soon be offering a class: How are the *Old and New Testaments related?* This class will be using the book "*Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist*" by Brant Pitre. Many Catholics today do not know where the roots of their faith came from. This class will explore the relationship between the Old and New Testament with regards to the Eucharist. Flyers are available for you to sign up in the vestibule of the Church. Please complete form and return if you are interested. Classes will be every other week. Date and time to follow in the bulletin.

PINK ENVELOPE FOR SJA SCHOOL SUPPORT On the third weekend of the month, the second collection (*the pink envelope*) is for the benefit of St. Joan of Arc School. The bookkeeping and banking of this collection has changed; therefore, it's important to ask that checks be made payable to St. Joan of Arc School. The bank will only process checks made payable to SJA. In advance, your cooperation is appreciated. Your ongoing generosity to SJA School is impressive and is also appreciated.

RCIA The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults meets regularly on Tuesdays from September through April at the Pastoral Center. The program is primarily for all non-Catholics interested in starting a new chapter in life's journey by joining the Catholic Church, or for those Catholics who have been baptized but haven't received the Sacrament of Eucharist and Confirmation. We're also inviting parishioners who would like a refresher course on their journey of faith. Please come and join us. If you're interested, please contact the Parish office 413-536-4558 EXT 218 or ask for Peggy. All are welcome.

LORRAINE'S SOUP KITCHEN Ste. Rose helps prepare the meal at Lorraine's Soup Kitchen on the 3rd Thursday of the month. Helpers for the Food Prep from 1PM to 3PM would be appreciated. If interested, please contact Elaine 552-8480. Thanks.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE AND DONUTS follows the 9:00AM Mass. Join us in the Church Hall. Also, helpers are needed. If you're interested in being part of this team, please speak to one of the Sunday morning servers. We look forward to seeing you!

HEARTFELT MEALS has been preparing and delivering meals for elderly and shut-ins for almost 15 years on the second Sunday of each month. We are in need of two drivers to deliver meals. One of our drivers is moving in September, and we would like to add a new route that we have never been able to fill. If you're able and willing to join this great group of people and help a worthwhile cause, please call Gail Boone at 536-6038. Thanks!

CUB SCOUT RECRUITMENT We are welcoming new members to our Cub Scout Pack held here at St. Rose de Lima. We have begun meeting again safely after a break due to the pandemic. We welcome families to check out scouting for your youngster/s ages 5-10 or K through Grade 5. If you're interested, the best way to reach the Chicopee Scouting team is by email. Please email us at cubscoutpackchicopee@yahoo.com and we'll get back to you. Thank you and welcome to Scouting.

THE 2022 MASS BOOK IS NOW AVAILABLE We are now reserving Masses for 2022. The offering for a Mass is \$10.00. Monthly Memorials of Sanctuary Lamp (\$25.00 for the month) and Hosts (\$35.00 for the month) are also available. There are still plenty of weekday (and a few weekend) Masses also available from July through December 2021 if you're interested.

CROSSING GUARDS NEEDED The Chicopee School Department has immediate openings for crossing guards who can work for the school year 2021-2022. Anyone interested should complete an application at 189 Broadway St., Chicopee or call 413.594.3516 (office).

THE 2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL As of August 4, 2021, there are **436** Ste. Rose parishioner participants who have contributed **\$54,500.00** to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Thank you! To contribute, log onto the diocesan website: www.diospringfield.org and click on to the ACA banner. On-line contributions can be either one-time or a pledge. All major credit cards are accepted. No gift is too small; no gift is too large to assist the Diocese of Springfield in serving the needs of our brothers and sisters who seek assistance from the diocese or from the many agencies that are funded by the ACA. Thank You!

An Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were Amen.